

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Gregory S. HAMILTON et al.  
Title: N-LINKED SULFONAMIDES OF N-HETEROCYCLIC  
CARBOXYLIC ACIDS OR CARBOXYLIC ACID ISOSTERES

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Appl. No.: 09/204,236  
Filing Date: 12/3/1998  
Examiner: Celia C. Chang  
Art Unit: 1625  
Confirmation No.: 5251

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

***Mail Stop RCE***

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

☐ Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on  
\_\_\_\_\_.

☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ but not considered.

☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of \_\_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$810.00 =	\$810.00
Total Claims:	20	22	= 0	x \$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independents	2	3	= 0	x \$210.00 =	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$370.00 =		\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$810.00

☒ Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below: